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<b>Division of Forensic Science</b> <b>BLOODSTAIN PROCEDURES MANUAL</b>	Amendment Designator:
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>1 INTRODUCTION</b></p> <p>Bloodstain Pattern Analysis is the study of blood as it comes in contact with a surface. In addition to the benefits of biological examination (DNA, etc.), Bloodstain Pattern Analysis may provide much investigative information.</p> <p>Examination of stains may provide information as to a pattern category. Study of patterns and their spatial relationship to each other and their relative locations may provide a mechanism or a reconstruction of the events and their sequence. In addition, study of the stains may assist in determining where to collect the blood evidence.</p> <p>Investigatively, Bloodstain Pattern Analysis may support or disprove statements made by victims, perpetrators or witnesses.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">◆End</p>	